

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY TEAMS
P. O. Box 8522
Washington, D. C. 20024

July 29, 1969

Mr. William D. Williams
Executive Secretary
Federal Employees Council on
Equal Employment Opportunities
855 East Long Street
Columbus, Ohio 43202

Dear Bill:

At last I have formulated the complaint on job discrimination against the Federal Government. See the enclosed complaint and example of the authorization and covering letter regarding how we plan to do this. I hope on August 30 to have a march on Washington by 1500 to 2000 federal employees to sign this complaint.

William Kunstler, who was attorney in the school case, has agreed to represent us. The Law Center for Constitutional Rights, address on the attached memo, is a tax free organization and we are asking employees to contribute \$5.00 per person to the Law Center in order to finance this suit.

Knowing of your many years of work in this area, I am sure that you will be able to duplicate this authorization and get us many signatures out of the State of Ohio and also bring a good group to Washington on August 30. Please let me hear from you as soon as possible on this. I suggest also that you send me the names of other groups in Ohio and any other place in the country that you think would be interested (for example people in Dayton or Cleveland). I hope to get an announcement regarding this program in JET next week.

If you wish you may call me collect at work. My telephone number is (202) 554-3309. I will be out of town until Tuesday, August 5, but would like to hear from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

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August 1, 1969

Dear Community Leader:

Please accept an invitation to an informal meeting with
the new Chief of Police Jerry V. Wilson.

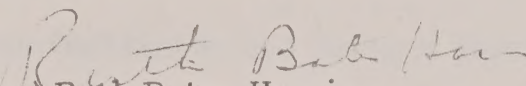
The purpose of the meeting is to have a frank exchange
with the Chief as to what you and a cross-section of other Com-
munity leaders expect of our Metropolitan Police Department.
It is believed this exchange will be beneficial to the Chief and to
the city as a whole.

PLACE: 3135 Westover Drive, S. E.

TIME: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 6, 1969

Since our schedule is a tight one, PLEASE BE ON TIME.

Sincerely,


(Mrs.) Ruth Bates Harris
Executive Director

RBH/twm

DIRECTION: At 31st & Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E., turn uphill
(right coming from town) on to 31st -- Follow sign
to Westover Drive.

7/24/69

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY TEAMS

P. O. Box 8522

Washington, D. C. 20024

Dear

The enclosed are forms which we hope you will be able to get filled out by Federal employees who wish to join in the Glass Action on Job Discrimination which we intend to file during the month of August. Also, we hope that you will use your influence to help us bring employees to Washington for the filing. It will be impressive if we can have from 1500 to 2000 employees march on the U. S. District Court in the District of Columbia and file this case. We have been working on the factual side of the case and it appears to be factually a sound and serious question. You will hear further from me.

The date of filing is

Let me know if you can come to Washington and bring a contingent on that date. Looking forward to seeing you again.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman

7/24/59

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY TEAMS

P. O. Box 8222

Washington, D. C. 20024

Dear

The enclosed are forms which we hope you will be able to get filled out by Federal employees who wish to join in the class Action on Job Discrimination which we intend to file during the month of August. Also, we hope that you will use your influence to help us bring employees to Washington for the filing. It will be impressive if we can have from 1500 to 2000 employees march on the U. S. District Court in the District of Columbia and file this case. We have been working on the factual side of the case and it appears to be factually a sound and serious question. You will hear further from me.

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Associated Community Teams
P. O. Box 8522
Washington, DC 20024
DRAFT -- 7/18/69 Hobson

Dear :

on Job Discrimination

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Chairman

Washington, D. C.

W18/69 Hobson

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Julius W. Hobson

Charles

7/24/69

AUTHORIZATION

I, _____, residing
at _____
_____ with
the telephone number _____ hereby request and authorize
Mr. Julius W. Hobson to speak for, represent, and act for me in
regard to my grievance and claim against the U. S. Government in
regard to racial (and sex) discrimination in employment.

I currently hold the position of _____

in the _____
agency of the U. S. Government located at _____
_____.

My race is _____. The particular complaint (if any) that I
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describe giving details).

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I explicitly understand that I am giving Mr. Hobson, in his judgment, the authority to add me as a Plaintiff in any civil action that he may intend to bring in the near future against the U. S. Government in regard to racial (and sex) discrimination in employment.

I understand that I am authorizing him to use whatever lawyers he believes will do the best and most effective job in this matter.

I further understand that I will, in no way other than by voluntary contributions, be obligated to pay any sum of money whatsoever in regard to this prospective litigation.

I also understand that I can revoke this authorization at any time.

(Date)

(Signature)

I explicitly understand that I am giving Mr. Hanson, in his judgment, the authority to add me as a Plaintiff in any civil action that he may intend to bring in the near future against the U. S. Government in regard to racial (and sex) discrimination in employment.

I understand that I am authorizing him to use whatever lawyers he believes will do the best and most effective job in this matter.

I further understand that I will, in no way other than by voluntary contributions, be obligated to pay any sum of money whatsoever in regard to this prospective litigation.

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any time.

Witness my hand and seal this 12th day of June, 1964.

John F. Kennedy

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AUTHORIZATION

I, _____, residing at _____

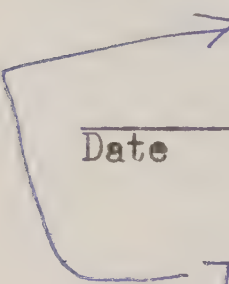
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I further understand that I will, ~~not~~ in no way other than ~~voluntarily/contribute/by~~ by voluntary contributions, be obligated to pay any sum of money whatsoever in regard to this prospective litigation.

_____
Date

Signature

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time.

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY TEAMS
P. O. Box 8255
Washington, D. C. 20024
(202) 554-1329

Dear

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We are asking a Five Dollar (\$5.00) voluntary contribution from each employee to be mailed to the Law Center for Constitutional Rights, 588 9th Avenue, New York, New York 10036, Attention: Attorney William M. Kunstler.

Let me know if you can come to Washington and bring a contingent on that date. Looking forward to hearing from you at the above address.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman

7/24/69

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(Date)

(Signature)



The Organization of the Militants

Post Office Box 8255

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

20024

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

August 28, 1969

Dear

This is to inform you that we are at last filing a class action against the Federal Government on the question of job discrimination. The three classes charging the government with discrimination in this law suit are Black people, Spanish-Americans and women.

The suit will be filed on September 12, 1969, at the United States District Court located at Fourth and Constitution Avenue, N. W., and we are asking federal employees to join us in a march on the Court at which time some 2,000 will be present to sign the complaint. If you can not be present, we would appreciate your joining in this suit. All we need from you is an authorization to sign your name, a pledge of from \$1.00 to \$5.00 to support the cost, and a statement that you are free to withdraw your name at anytime you wish. Or you can sign the enclosed authorization and just return this note. This authorization will in no way obligate you for any of the additional cost in the case. Mail your authorization plus that of any other employees you know to ACT, Post Office Box 8255, Washington, D. C. 20024. We would appreciate your prompt reply.

Please state in which agency you are employed and whether you are Black, White or Spanish-American. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman

DRAFT -- 8/28/69

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Please state in which agency you are employed and whether you are Black, White or Spanish American. Thank you for your cooperation.

[Or you can sign the following authorization and just return this note.]

Sincerely,

I _____ employed at _____
do hereby authorize ACT to include my name as a plaintiff in the
Hobson vs. U. S. Civil Service Commission. My
(race, national origin, sex) is _____. I further
understand that this authorization in no way obligates me beyond a
contribution of \$1.00 - \$5.00 in support of this case. I reserve the
right to withdraw my authorization at anytime I see fit.

Date

Signature

ASSOCIATED COMMUNITY TEAMS
P. O. BOX 8255
Washington, D. C. 20024
(202) 554-3308

DRAFT
9-15-69

Dear

The enclosed are forms which we hope you will be able to get filled out by Federal employees who wish to join in the class action on job discrimination we recently filed. We are in the process of preparing an amendment to our original case.

We are asking a Five Dollar (\$5.00) voluntary contribution from each employee to be mailed to either the above address or to the Law Center for Constitutional Rights, 588 9th Avenue, New York, New York 10036, Attention: Attorney William M. Kunstler.

Sincerely,

Julius W. Hobson
Chairman

4/11/69

Fredrick Ogletree

Box 1000 #1475

Marion Illinois 62959

30: Mr. Julius Hobson H.C.T.
P.O. Box 8037
Southwest Station
Washington D.C. 20024

Dear Sir,

I'm writing to you hoping that the request will be given the utmost consideration and mainly the necessary steps in which the opportunity I'm seeking will be granted.

To begin with, I was sentenced on October 31st 1967 to three (3) years for 'transferring forged securities'. I've served a year & a half (1½) on my present term. I was placed in the F.C.I. in Milan Michigan, mainly because I'm a native of Detroit. However, January 1968 I went to (before) the parole board there in Milan, as a result of that hearing I received a 12-month (1 year) deferment, including a designated program that stipulated my completion during the interim of that year.

As I began to attempt the completion of my program it so happen that fate began to impede into my private family life on

the outside of the penal system, thereby removing from my life the life of my dear mother. The incident within itself caught me by surprise and completely off guard, in which caused me to lose the small grip that I thought I had on myself at that time. Within two months after the death of my mother (in which left my two sisters parentless and homeless), I found out that I was going to be transferred here to this penitentiary in Marion Illinois, although I can't really point out the exact reason. Nevertheless, I'm here now, and have been here since June 31st 1908.

In January of this year I returned before the parole-board again. This time I had certificates indicating that I've completed 9 months of Vocational Training in the skill trade of mechanic shop, and as of the 7th of February I completed all of my educational goals, however, the hearing is to be continued with a memorandum sent to Washington in June of this year (1909). Actually, behind such action it only leaves me 8 months before I'm to be released on condition in Feb. 22/10, and if the C. T. C. (Half-way House) program still in effect that makes it only 5 months before I'm due to return to society.

Also since I've been here fate has continued to eliminate people from my family; my sunt that adopted my two sisters, my Brother, & my mother's sister. But at this time I'm more than proud to admit that my reactions behind all these deaths indicate an over abundance of maturity, in which let me say freely that I'm a man. So, I use the term maturity, mainly because this is the exact way that I feel

"I've finally become a man." I've acknowledged the fact that I have responsibilities now that I've never had fully been confronted with directly before; my two sisters age 14 + 13, also not to mention my own two children - girls also!

Therefore, behind the fact that I've acknowledged, I also have accepted the responsibilities that will be confronted with upon my return to Detroit, I'm compelled to request of you to be considerate enough to grant the decision (and me the opportunity) to have me transferred to a Institution that have a fairly moderate, non-discriminate work-release Program there in or around the Institution. My purpose for such a request seems valid and very essential to me. If my request is granted Sir, it will be very instrumental to me with the task of providing for those who will rely on me as their provider and myself fully.

Sir, actually I wouldn't find need to ask this of you other than helping me to adjust back to society but, since I've done the greater portion of my term programming learning skills & trades, and getting my educational standards to a level so that I can apply for a diploma I really haven't had time nor chance, to work in any of the industries that provided by either of the Institutions to accumulate some more sum of funds. Therefore I ask of you again, Will you improvise a transfer to have me placed in a Institution that have a Work-Release program in full process, so that for the next 5 to 8 months will be fruitful for me in the form of accumulating some funds & also to help me conform back into the civilized world beyond these

imaginary walls of the U. S. penal system?

Sir, your attention, & action in regards & response to this letter & matter means a great deal to me and those who will be depending on me in the very near future. So Sir, if there's any way possible for you to comply in regards to this matter - I sincerely wish & hope that you take the time & liberty to do so.

Thank You!

Sincerely Yours;
Frederick Ogletree

REPLY;

Frederick Ogletree

Box 1000 #1475 mi

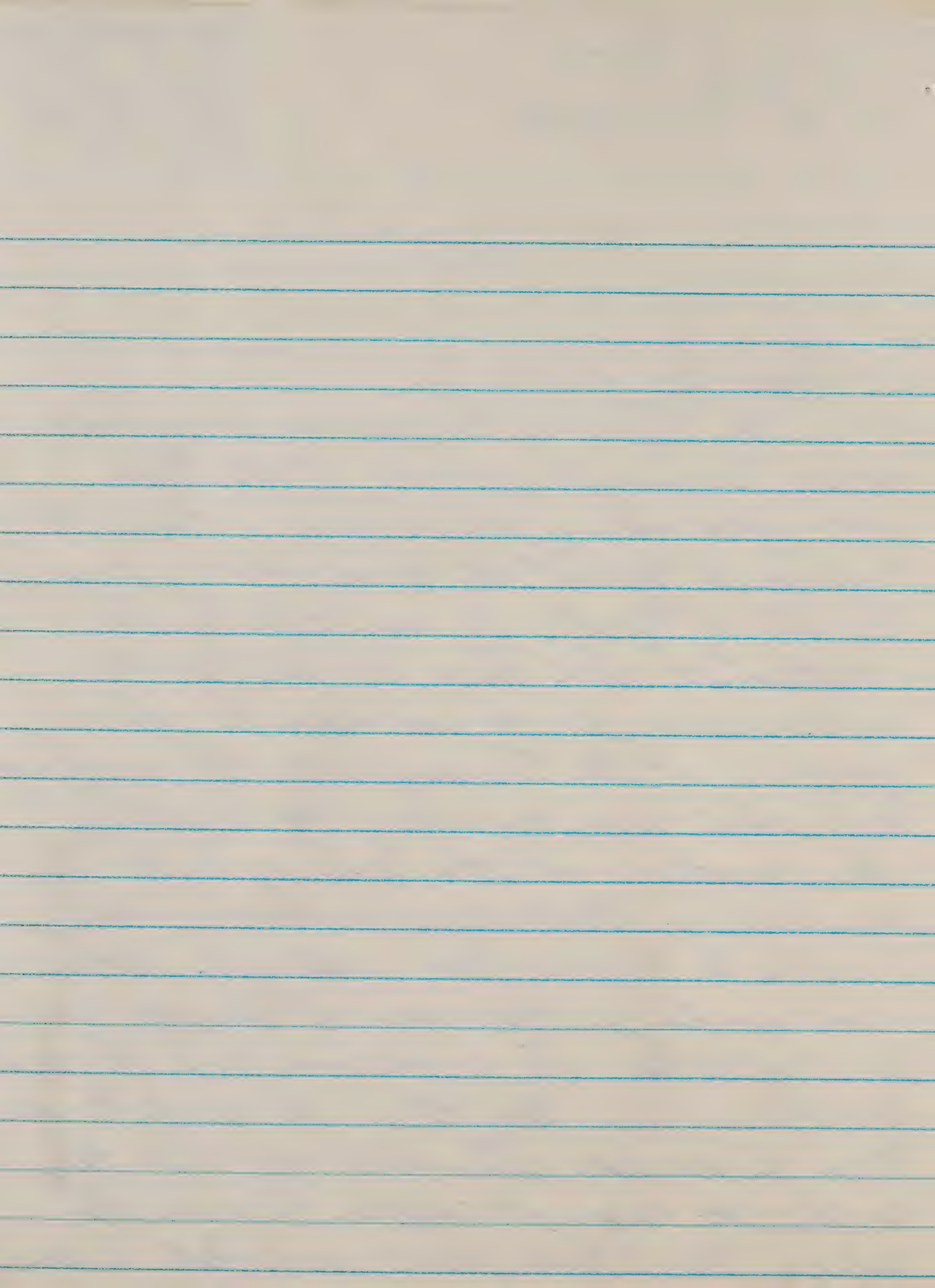
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Mr. Julius W. Hobson
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Apt. 510 - Washington, D.C.

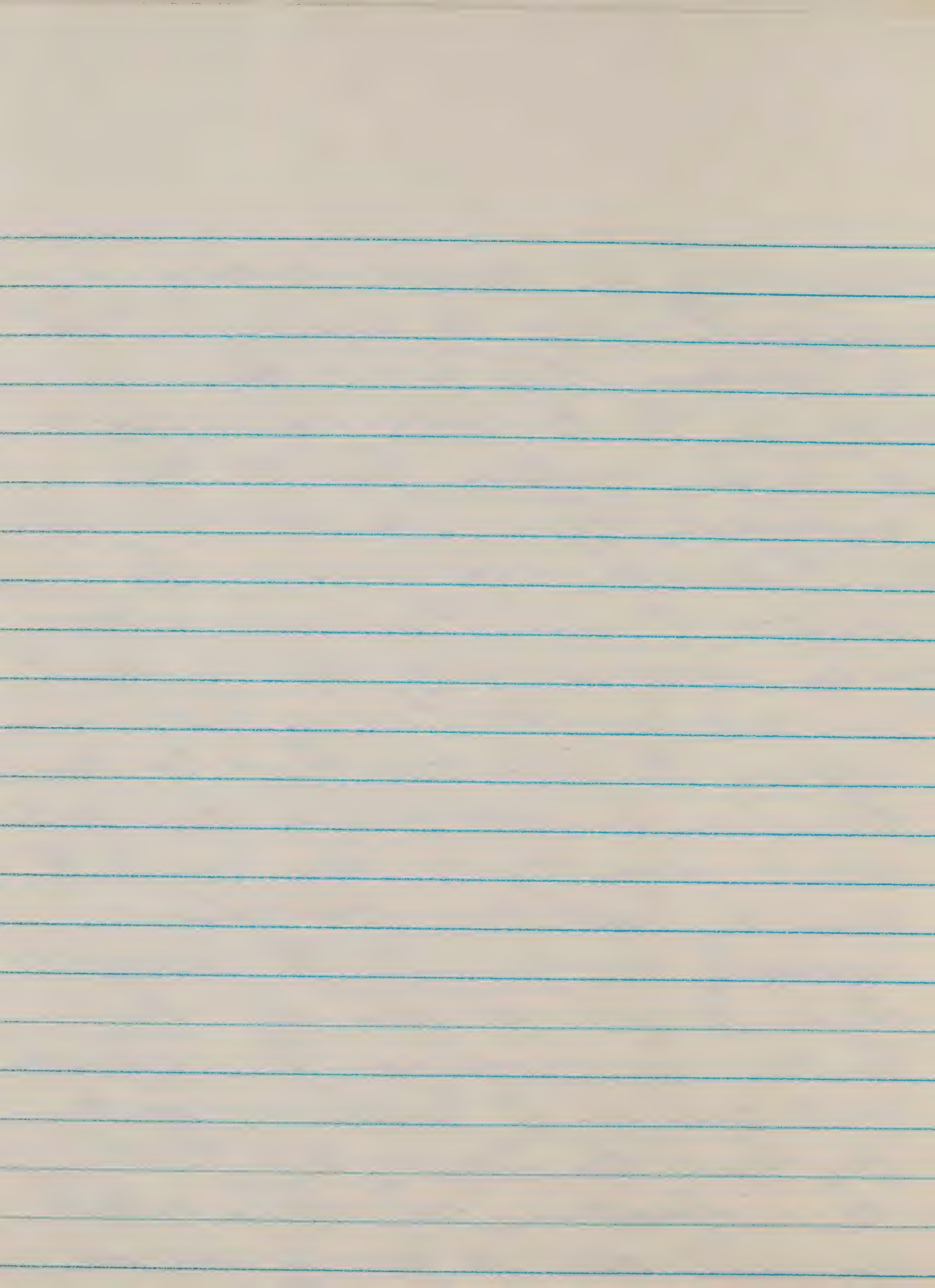
4501-5th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.
June 10, 1969

Dear Sir,

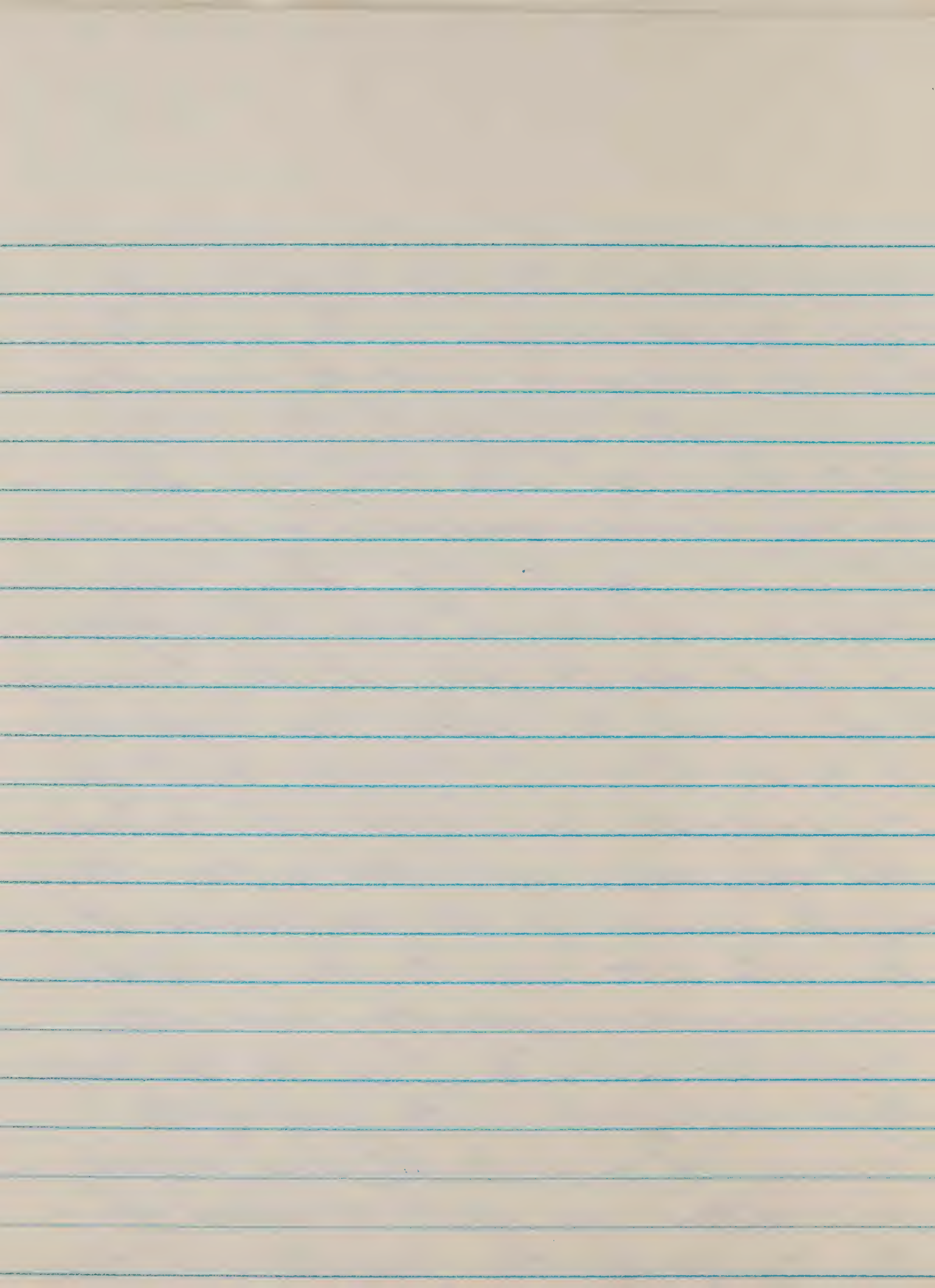
In reference to summer employment, at the Treasury Department 13th & C Streets S.W. after filling out a form at the Youth Employment Office 6th & C Streets N.W., the Month of April. I was told by the receptionist that this was all that was necessary to do in order to get a position in the Treasury Dept. The receptionist ask what was my reason for wanting the position at the Treasury Dept. My answer was that my grandmother Mrs. Lucile D. Miles was employed within, which would be my means of transportation. As my mother is a widow and the two families live together. I went to see Mrs. Richardson who told me that they could not request anyone because of policy. Mrs. Richardson said that it was



Necessary for someone at the employment agency to send some kind of admittance slip to her office in order for her to be able to employ me. I made another trip to the Employment Office with information that Mrs. Richardson had given me. The receptionist said they could not give me an admittance slip until a request was sent from the Treasury Dept. I referred the information back to Mrs. Richardson. I went through these procedures at least seven times. Today June 10, 1969, made my eighth time. My Mother accompany me down to the Employment Office to find out what the reason for the run around was. The receptionist still told me I needed a request slip from the Treasury Dept. With this information, my mother called my grandmother to see if someone



could submit to my request, so that tomorrow June 11, 1969, I could have an interview with the counselor at the Youth Employment Office. Noting that this was all they said I needed, I was wondering if I could not get a request slip. This finally request was turned down. The explanation as followed. The policy at the Treasury Dept. is not to employ close relatives, I find this hard to believe. For 27 yrs my grandmother has worked with husband and wife, sister and brother, in laws etc. If the reason for the run around at this late date was to an incident concerning my grandmother and sister Edith Pittsgrae. They had all the negro kids working out in the front of the Treasury Dept on a beautification program, while whites were placed at desks etc. This my grandmother resented and many



others resented it. Your attention
was call to it by my grandmother.
Mr. Hobson will you please help me
get summer employment.

Thank you for your time and interest
Gail Y. Sutton

Thank you for your kind and interest
I have a p. 2 of 2

1832 West 15th Street
Anniston, Alabama 36201
September 20, 1968

Mr. Julius Hobson
Leader of ACT
4801 Queens Chapel Terrace Ne
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hobson:

I am attempting to do a case study of the struggle for home-rule (i. e., making of local policy by locally elected officials) in Washington, D. C. This study will be used as a master's degree thesis. In doing this study, I will need all the information that I can gather. Hence, I am asking you to send me any information that you have on this issue as well as the position of your organization in this matter.

Moreover, I would like to have your opinion about the present local government, the "mayor," and the future of this government.

Sincerely yours,
Benjamin Lomax

